

Between the lines

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A Time of Thanks

By Deborah Barrow

Director of Libraries

Generally at this time of year, I like to take a few minutes to reflect on my life and surroundings. Taking a little time to think about life helps me put things in perspective. Otherwise, the report that is pending, the misunderstanding with a colleague, or the service that is not going the way I had hoped, would loom very large. Reflecting on my life reminds me of how fortunate I am. One of the reasons is that I work at the Sunnyvale Public Library.

The Sunnyvale Library is a very special environment in which to work. We can start with the people. The staff members are wonderful. Just about everyone employed at the library looks forward to our work on a daily basis and finds the work rewarding. We recognize that library users are important and that we are here to serve you. As the new director, I am grateful that library staff does such a good job and that they have welcomed me with open arms.

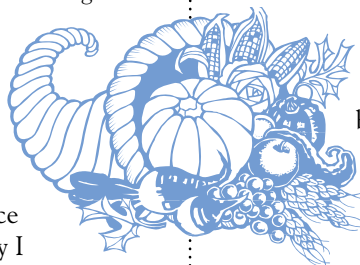
Sunnyvale Library users are friendly people supportive of their library. For those of you who have done so, thank you for taking the time to let us know when services do not meet your expectations. In general, your communications are forthright and aimed at making things better. Thanks also to those of you who have taken the time to let library staff know that our services are appreciated. It is validating, encouraging and pleasant to hear that we are on the right track.

Sunnyvale Public Library offers the right programs for the right place. When we offer programs that touch the core of our community, as we have done a few times this year, the response has been overwhelming. Whether they are grant-funded programs for appearances by highly acclaimed local authors, or science-based presentations celebrating the 100th anniversary of Albert Einstein's Theory of Relativity, the programs designed by staff have featured

interesting speakers who have added value to the public library experience. I want to thank our community contacts for helping us put together such wonderful programs.

I feel very fortunate to be a part of the Sunnyvale Public Library because of the library staff and our library users.

I thank you for the part that you play in helping us know that this a worthy place to be and that what we do is still important to many people. In whatever manner you may celebrate, I wish you very happy holidays and hope to see you at the library very soon.



Sunnyvale Library Has a New Catalog!

By Marsha Pollak

On Wednesday, August 10, 2005 Sunnyvale introduced its new online catalog to the public. We said goodbye to our old catalog of 19 years on Sunday, August 7th, migrated our patron data to the new system on Monday, and brought up the online circulation functions on Tuesday.


During the transition period, no items could be checked in or shelved. With several thousand items returned, it was a mammoth job even to store them, let alone get them checked in and shelved starting on Wednesday.

All staff worked very hard to have a smooth transition from one system



to another, and we were open to the public the entire time! We want to thank all of our patrons for their understanding and patience during this transition time.

We have continued to tweak the catalog and add enhancements since then.

 Have you noticed that many books and media items now have a picture of their covers in the catalog? If you see the "i" icon shown here next to the picture, click on it and see what additional information is available. There may be a summary of the book, a first chapter or excerpt, and book reviews to help you decide if this is what you want to borrow.

Do you want to receive e-mail reminders before your material is due, or overdue notices by e-mail? Make sure we have your e-mail address. You can ask circulation staff to enter it, or you can log on to your account and add it yourself. You can also update your own telephone number and change your PIN (personal identification number), if you wish.

Do you speak Chinese or Spanish? Have you tried our Chinese and Spanish versions of the catalog? Each version has explanatory material in those languages. And, the majority of Chinese records are now displayed in either the traditional or simplified Chinese characters. You can also see the Chinese titles you've checked out displayed in "My Account" in the Web catalog.

Have you wanted to place holds on items as soon as the library ordered them? Now you can. Records of materials ordered for the library are now displayed in the catalog.

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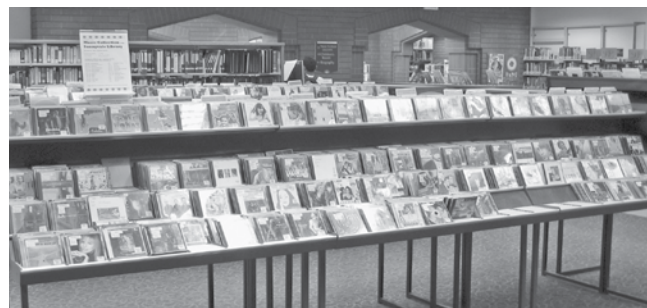
Library Receives 1,470 Music CDs through California Antitrust Lawsuit

By Steve Sloan

Last month, the Sunnyvale Library received 1,470 music CDs as a result of the settlement of In re: Compact Disc Minimum Advertised Price Antitrust Litigation, a lawsuit brought by California's Office of the Attorney General and other state attorneys general against 5 major music distributors and certain retailers. The lawsuit alleged that the defendants conspired to illegally raise the prices of CDs by implementing minimum advertised price policies to prevent retailers from advertising the CDs below certain prices in violation of state and federal laws. As part of the settlement, the defendants agreed to pay more than \$67 million in cash

and \$75 million worth of music CDs. California received 665,000 CDs, valued at \$8.9 million.

To make the CDs available to the widest number of consumers, the CDs were given to libraries and schools across California. After factors such as age, quality, popularity, and space for shelving were considered, approximately 25% of the CDs received were added to the Library's collection. The remaining CDs have been given to the Friends of the Sunnyvale Library for inclusion in an upcoming book sale. The money raised through the sale of the CDs is anticipated to be used to fund further development of the Library's music CD collection and/or fund music-related programs at the Library. The Library currently has more than 10,000 music CDs in its collection. Patrons can check out an unlimited number of CDs at a time for a period of 3 weeks.



For complete information on the Sunnyvale Public Library, please call (408) 730-7300 or visit

www.sunnyvalelibrary.org

Small Biz Corner

Library Resources and Web Sites for the Entrepreneur

By Joan Jackson

Research is an important tool in all stages of business. It is the wise entrepreneur who uses these tools to start-up, maintain, and grow a business that has a competitive advantage. This issue of *Small Biz Corner* highlights several of the Library's vital business reference print resources, and a few choice Web-based business resources that will help you and your business at any stage.

Business Reference Collection Resources

How to Write a Business Plan (7th ed., 2005)

R 658.1522 M BUSINESS
The author states that, "A business plan is a written statement that describes and analyzes your business and gives detailed projections of the future." Published by Nolo Press, this easy-to-follow book provides step-by-step instructions, worksheets and examples for the budding entrepreneur. You'll learn how to determine if your business idea is potentially profitable, find sources for financing your business, learn forecasting techniques, and learn pointers for presenting your business plan to lenders. This thorough, updated research tool is an excellent resource for writing a sound business plan.

Dun's Business Rankings

R 338.025 D BUSINESS
This directory will enable you to find the leaders in the business world by identifying approximately 25,000 private, public, and foreign-owned companies within the U.S. who lead their respective fields. This publication shows how companies rank against their industry peers by sales volume and number of employees within a range of different categories. The publication is divided into 10 sections that provide quick access to the exact information you need.

Exporters' Encyclopedia (2005 ed.)

R 382.6025 E BUSINESS
Another essential business reference tool for any business collection is Dun & Bradstreet's "Exporter's Encyclopedia." "This 'must have' directory has been helping global business professionals succeed in foreign trade for a century." You'll find valuable insight into the trading environment of more than 200-plus world markets with general information on exporting and specific information on all major markets, including marketing information, transportation, trade regulations, documentation, key contacts, and business travel. Updates are provided twice per month, and will help to keep you abreast of late-breaking developments in an ever-changing business climate.

Plunkett's E-Commerce & Internet Business Almanac (2005 ed.)

R 338.761 P BUSINESS
Here in the "heart of Silicon Valley," e-commerce and Internet business are cornerstones for many fledgling, and well-established small businesses and large corporations. This almanac is a ready-reference guide to the

worldwide industry of e-commerce and Internet business. Well-researched corporate profiles that include growth plans, executive contacts addresses, fax and phone numbers, and much more, offer you a real competitive advantage. Internet research and development, the hottest trends and their cutting-edge companies, industry analysis and trends, and much more are all indexed, and cross-indexed for ease-of-use in this single volume.

Business Web sites

It should be noted that there are very reputable, pre-screened business Web sites that are known especially in the business research realm for their experts and specialists that stand behind their respective sites. Listed below are but a few of these excellent sites that are free/registration-only Web sites:

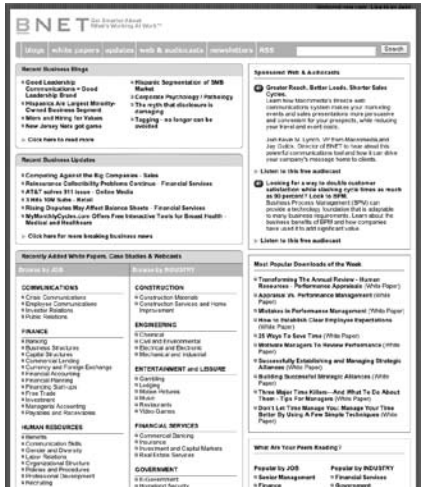
List of Lists

www.specialissues.com/lol

This is a database of ranked listings of companies, people and resources. The rankings are grouped into approximately 25 categories.

BNET

www.bnet.com



This site offers a wide range of documents that can help solve problems in your business. Free case studies, white papers, audio conferences and Web casts, and book summaries will assist in the effective management of your business.

ISI Emerging Markets

www.securities.com

This site offers financial and company data, as well as new on emerging markets from over 30 countries in Latin America, Asia and Europe.

Economagic

www.economagic.com

Key economic time series data, and a special emphasis on forecasting data are featured.

FirstGov

www.firstgov.gov

This site is a one-stop access to millions of pages of information, and a portal to U.S. Federal Government agencies' web sites.

VentureWire

www.venturewire.com

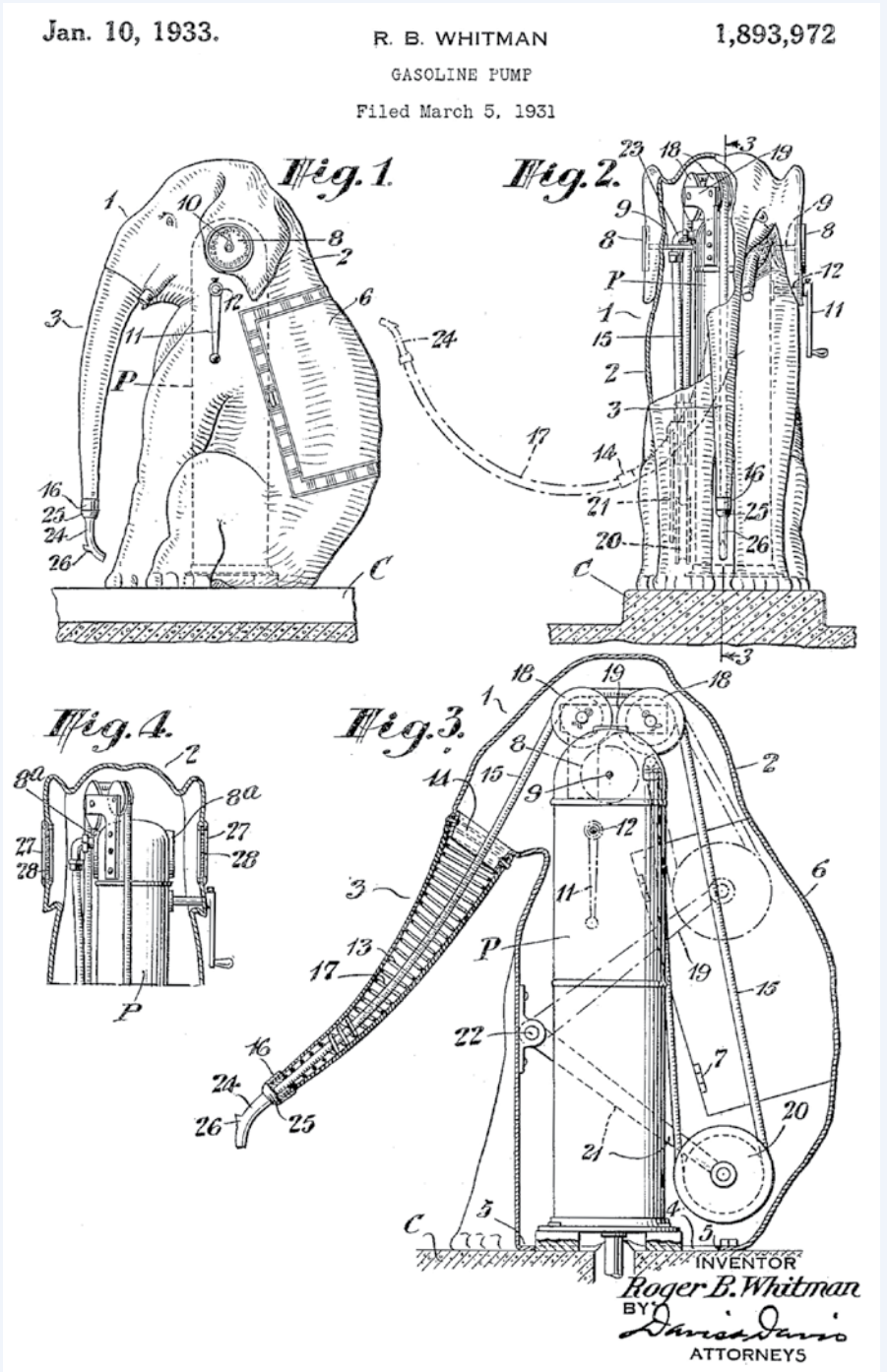
This site offers the latest news on venture capital activity and private firms via a free e-mail alert, and other valuable venture capital information.

A White Elephant

By Janet Berkeley

It's a gas! It's a jungle out there during the holiday season. Fluctuating gas prices make a trip to the gas station seem like a three-ring circus. Back in 1933, New Yorker Roger B. Whitman (wonder if he ever visited "Tusk" egee?) received US patent # 1,893,972 for a novelty gasoline pump. According to the patent, the flexible proboscis could be inserted

into the gas tank (located of course by the vehicle's trunk!). It's doubtful that this patent ever made any money because it probably had a jumbo price tag. If you have a great idea, don't stay in your ivory tower, take a safari to Sc[i]³ where expert librarians can help with your patent and trademark questions. For more information on Sc[i]³ services, visit our Web site at www.sci3.com.



Children's Services Awarded Satterberg Foundation Grant

By Betsy Wachter

Thanks to a grant from the Satterberg Foundation, children's librarians will be more visible in the community in the next several months. The Satterberg Foundation provides funds to non-profit organizations that enrich and support the communities in which their members live. The grant funds awarded to the Children's Services division of the Sunnyvale Public Library will enable children's librarians to visit preschools and day care homes in the City to present stories, songs, and puppets to young children on a regular schedule.

Recent research into infant brain development indicates that the early

years are critical to the acquisition of language and the skills necessary to learn to read and write. In presenting story programs in day care situations, librarians can model for the care providers the best methods for using books to affect acquisition of these skills, as well as enrich the experiences of the children.

Children's staff are grateful to the preschools and day care providers who have responded with invitations to visit the children in their care. We appreciate the opportunity to do what we love best — share our favorite stories and songs with our favorite people!

Your Local Newsstand: Sunnyvale Library’s Periodicals

By Mary Chartrain

Did you know that you have a newsstand in your backyard? One that goes far beyond the local newspapers and offers you an incredible variety of publications not only from the United States but from around the world? It's the Sunnyvale Library's periodicals collection, a fascinating collection of more than 400 newspapers, magazines, newsletters, and journals.

To reflect the diversity in Sunnyvale, we offer newspapers like *World Journal* (Chinese), *Nichi Bei Times* (Japanese/English), *PakistanLink* (Urdu/English) and *La Oferta* (Spanish). Magazines include such titles as *Ebony*, *Hispanic*, *Ogonek* (Russian), *Chubu Saenghwal* (Korean), and *Gourmet World* (Chinese), *India Today* and more.

Living in the high-tech world of Silicon Valley, expect to find publications like *IEEE Spectrum*, *Electronic Engineering Times*, *Linux Journal*, and more popular magazines like *Macworld* and *PC Magazine*. For business-related titles, examples include not only the major publications like *Forbes* and *Business Week* but also magazines like *Black Enterprise*, *Business India*, *Far Eastern Economic Review*, and the *Harvard Business Review*.

A variety of periodicals are available for news information, ranging from local papers and news weeklies to a spectrum of other publications like the *The Economist*, *Foreign Affairs*, *National Review*, *The Middle East*, *Washington Monthly* and the *The Sunday Times* (London).

For readers interested in financial information, we offer newspapers like *Investors Business Daily*, the *Financial Times*, and *Barron's*, along

with magazines like *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* and *Money*. The Library also subscribes to the *Value Line Investment Survey*, *Morningstar Mutual Funds*, and a variety of financial newsletters like *Standard and Poor's Outlook* and *Michael Murphy's Technology Investing*.

A significant part of our Periodicals Collection focuses on lifestyle and recreation. Arts titles include *Art in America*, *Dance Magazine*, *Down Beat*, *Gramophone* and *Digital Photographer*. Health titles include ones like *Mayo Clinic Health Letter*, *Diabetes Forecast* and *Natural Health*. *Cat Fancy*, and *Dog World* focus on your pets. For automotive news try *Car and Driver*, *Motor Trend*, and *Road and Track*. Many publications cover home decorating/repair such as *Interior Design*, *Family Handyman* and *Architectural Digest*. Find food and wine information in *Gourmet*, the *Wine Spectator* and *Cook's Illustrated*. Travel information is available from magazines like *Arthur Frommer's Budget Travel*, *National Geographic Traveler* and *International Travel News*. Read about sports in magazines like *Sporting News*, *Golf Digest* and *Bicycling*. A spectrum of other subjects is covered by publications like *Civil War Times*, *Chess Life*, *Model Railroader*, *QST* (amateur radio), *Stardust* (Bollywood) *Memory Makers* (scrap booking) and *Poets and Writers*.

These titles represent only a sample of our Periodicals Collection. Many subjects are covered by a number of different titles. There are also separate collections for children and teens. We invite you to visit the Library and sample a world of information, education and entertainment in our collection of magazines, newspapers and newsletters.

What Are We Reading?

Michael Nellany
Reference Librarian
Sunnyvale Public Library



What are you reading?

I'm currently reading **Complicated Shadows: The Life and Music of Elvis Costello** by Graeme Thomson. It's a very detailed and insightful account into the life and genius of one of the world's greatest artists. I just finished **Freakonomics** by Steven D. Levitt which is an account of the ingenious uses of data to explain certain types of behavior.

How did you like them?

I'm enjoying **Complicated Shadows** very much. I don't usually read biographies because I think they are often flawed, but Elvis's character is so engaging I thought I'd give this a shot. The authors detail the creation of each album and the interpersonal

strife that attended each recording. I thought **Freakonomics** was a great book. It was easy to read and it left me wanting more. I heard an interview with the author on BBC and he sounded thoughtful and well-informed. I like a book that challenges conventional views.

How do you decide what to read?

It's difficult for me to find a book I'm pleased with. Before I found these books I had a very dry spell. I read about the Elvis Costello book in Sunday's book review section of the *New York Times*. For every book I read there are probably fifteen books that I try. I'm not very patient.

What do you plan to read next?

I don't have plans to read anything yet. I've been trying to get through some books on investing but oddly I always seem to fall asleep after the first few sentences. I think I'd like to try some Willa Cather because I like her name.

What were your favorite books in the past year?

My favorite book of last year was **Jonathan Strange and Mr. Norrell** by Susanna Clarke. It is a modern classic that rivals Tolkien for its ingenious design and development. Another favorite was **Perfume: The Story of a Murderer** by Patrick Suskind. This is a perverse tale of an orphan child who became one of Europe's greatest perfumer and also a murderer. This is not your average horror tale but a thoughtful meditation upon beauty, loss and inspiration.

Books about Books

By Susan Denniston

With so many good books to read, it would be all too easy to miss the good books about books! Here are a few recommended titles:

The Eyre Affair: A Novel by Jasper Fforde. For lovers of classic literature and humor. In an alternate Great Britain, around 1985, literature has a major role in everyday life. Evil people spirit characters out of novels and children swap literary bubble-gum cards.

The Jane Austen Book Club by Karen Joy Fowler. Jane Austen's novels are discussed by a book group in southern California. Through the book much is revealed about the private lives of the book club members, five women and one man, as well as the characters in Jane Austen's books.

Used and Rare: Travels in the Book World by Lawrence Goldstone. A journey into the world of book collecting. The authors go from book-filled barns in Massachusetts to used and rare bookstores in the Berkshires, Boston and Manhattan.

The Book Borrower: A Novel by Alice Mattison. Toby Ruben and Deborah Laidlaw meet in New York City when both are looking after their babies. Deborah lends Toby a book and their friendship begins and continues with interruptions.

Biblioholism: The Literary Addiction by Tom Raabe. A humorous look at an addiction that many book lovers share – buying books, finding books, and reading books.

The Shadow of the Wind by Carlos Ruiz Zafon. Daniel selects a book from the Cemetery of Forgotten Books, a library tended by Barcelona, Spain's rare book dealers as a repository of books forgotten by the world. The book that Daniel selects, **The Shadow of the Wind** by Julian Carax, sends Daniel on a quest to find other books by Carax. His inquiries lead him to discover murder, intrigue, magic, love and disaster with twists and turns that keep the reader's rapt attention.

Great gift ideas which support the Library!

Every dollar goes toward supporting the Library.

10 notecards for \$10

featuring a detail of the Library's 17-ft. stained glass window in the non-fiction room

4 movie passes for \$6

providing hours of entertainment for you, your family and friends



Take Our Survey And Win A Prize!

We'd like to know what you think about what you're reading...

The Between the Lines newsletter is published once every two months and includes the latest news and event information from the Sunnyvale Public Library. The newsletter is one of a number of methods the Library uses to communicate with library users. Some other methods include the Web site, news releases, flyers, e-mails, and the library brochure you receive when you register for a library card. To help us improve our communication with you, would you please take a few minutes to complete this survey?

To say thanks for your participation, we'll enter your name in a drawing for your choice of a set of 10 notecards (\$10 value) or 4 movie passes you can use to check out feature films (\$6 value). Only one survey per person will be accepted. The drawing and notification of the winner will occur on Friday, November 18.

Drop off the survey at any public service desk in the Library, mail it to Sunnyvale Public Library, Attn: Steve Sloan, 665 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086, or e-mail your responses to ssloan@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us. Thank you!

Newsletter Questions

How many issues of the Between the Lines have you read?

- ☐ 1 – 2 ☐ 2 – 3 ☐ 3 – 4 ☐ 4 or more

How did you first learn of the newsletter?

- ☐ Picked it up in the Library ☐ Saw it on the Web site
☐ Staff told me about it ☐ Other: _____

What is your favorite feature of the newsletter?

- ☐ Events calendar ☐ Recommended books or Web sites
☐ News stories ☐ Director's column

How satisfied are you with the newsletter?

- ☐ Very satisfied ☐ Somewhat satisfied ☐ No opinion
☐ Somewhat dissatisfied ☐ Very dissatisfied

The goal of the newsletter is keep library users informed of the latest news and event information from the library. How effective do you think the newsletter is in reaching this goal?

- ☐ Very effective ☐ Somewhat effective ☐ No opinion
☐ Somewhat ineffective ☐ Very ineffective

The newsletter is currently offered in print and through the Library's Web site. What format do you prefer?

- ☐ I prefer viewing the newsletter online ☐ I prefer reading the printed newsletter

If the newsletter was only offered online, would it still be useful to you?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

How could the newsletter be improved?

Events Calendar Questions

Have you seen the library events calendar which comes with the newsletter?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered no, your survey is complete. If yes, please continue.

Please indicate which type of programs are of interest to you (mark all that apply).

- ☐ Adult programs ☐ Children's programs
☐ Teen programs ☐ Patent and trademark programs

The events calendar aims to present all library program information in one place. Would you prefer to have a separate flyer for only those programs of interest to you?

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

How easy is it to use the events calendar and find out about programs of interest?

- ☐ Very easy ☐ Somewhat easy ☐ No opinion
☐ Somewhat difficult ☐ Very difficult

How can the events calendar be improved?

Name _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

(Contact information required for prize drawing; otherwise optional)

Special Holiday Book Sale

Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library

Gift Books for Children & Adults

Saturday, December 3
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

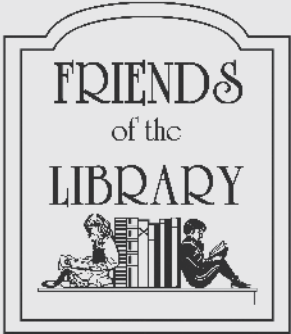
Sunnyvale Public Library

Program Room
665 W. Olive Ave. at Pastoria

For more information, call
(408) 730-7300 or visit
www.sunnyvalelibrary.org

Friends Needed!

Started in 1965, the Friends of the Sunnyvale Public Library is a volunteer organization dedicated to helping the library support its goals. Every year, the Friends raise funds through book sales and promote the library in the community. This year, the Friends donated \$50,000 to the Library! If you were looking for a way to contribute to the community, don't miss this chance to join the Friends of the Library! Volunteers are needed to help with activities. If you're interested, please contact President Iris Devere at (408) 732-7242 for more information.



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New Catalog

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Take a look at the Featured Items lists. Here you can view lists of recently-added titles in many categories, including new DVDs, new fiction, new mysteries, and more. Watch for more special lists in the future.

Coming soon is LINK+, a resource sharing tool that will allow you to search other participating libraries' catalogs, request items we don't own, and have them delivered here for you!



Sunnyvale Public Library

665 West Olive Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Library Hours

Monday–Thursday	10am–9pm
Friday & Saturday	10am–6pm
Sunday	12pm–8pm

Book and media drops are located outside the Library for after-hours returns.

Telephone Numbers

Borrowers' Records	(408) 730-7303
Children's & Teen Services	(408) 730-7292
Deaf Access: TDD/TYY	(408) 730-7501
Dial-A-Story (English)	(408) 730-7333
Dial-A-Story (Spanish)	(408) 737-4907
Information & Reference	(408) 730-7300
Library Cards	(408) 730-7310
Library Administration	(408) 730-7316
Overdue Materials	(408) 730-7309
Renewals	(408) 730-7310
Sc[i]t ³ Patents & Trademarks	(408) 730-7300
Special Outreach Services	(408) 730-7306

Area Code

Library Web Site

www.sunnyvalelibrary.org

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Sunnyvale will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities. If you require special accommodation, please contact the library.

SUNNYVALE LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
COLOR KEY: Children's Programs <i>Teen Programs</i> Adult Programs <i>SC[i]³ Programs</i>	All programs meet in the Library's Program Room unless otherwise indicated in the description below.	1 <i>Basics of Claim Drafting</i> 9:30 a.m. Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m.	<i>Einstein's Big Idea</i> 2 Toddler Storytime 11 a.m. Computer Comfort 2 – 4 p.m. Think Science, Do Science 7 p.m.	3 Night Owl Storytime (Divali Celebration) 7 p.m.	4	5 Family Storytime 10:30 a.m. Author Bob Barner 2 p.m.
6 Scrabble Competition 2 – 7 p.m.	7 Time for Tales 11 a.m. Library Board Meeting 7 p.m. Read-Along Shakespeare 7 p.m.	8 Mother Goose for Walkers 11 a.m.	9 Book Chat Noon Free Databases @ Your Library 2 – 4 p.m. Toddler Storytime 7 p.m.	10 <i>Patent Basics</i> 10:30 a.m. Preschool Storytime 11 a.m.	11 Library Closed	12 Cuentos en Español 10:30 a.m.
13	14	15 <i>Patent Cooperation Treaty 1</i> 10 a.m. Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m.	16 Toddler Storytime 11 a.m.	17 <i>Patent Cooperation Treaty 2 Searching EAST</i> Preschool Storytime Night Owl Storytime Book Discussion Group	18	<i>Einstein's Big Idea</i> 19 Family Storytime 10:30 a.m. Energy at Play – Tech Museum at the Library 2 p.m.
	Celebrate Children's Book Week					
20	21 Time for Tales 11 a.m.	22 Mother Goose for Walkers 11 a.m. Genealogy Databases 2 – 3:30 p.m.	23 Toddler Storytime 7 p.m.	24 Library Closed	25 Library Closed	26 Nutcracker Storytelling 11 a.m.
27	28	29 <i>Reexam & Reissue</i> 10:30 a.m. Mother Goose for Pre-walkers 11 a.m.	30 Toddler Storytime 11 a.m.			

Library Board Meeting

Monday, November 7, 7 p.m.
The meeting is open to the public and meets in the City Council Chambers at 650 W. Olive Ave.

Children's Ongoing Programs

Cuentos en Español
Saturday, November 12, 10:30 a.m.
For children 3 and up and their families.

Family Storytime
Saturday, November 5, 19, 10:30 a.m.
For children of all ages and their families.

Mother Goose for Pre-walkers
Tuesday, November 1, 15, 29, 11 a.m.
For infants birth until walking.

Mother Goose for Walkers
Tuesday, November 8, 22, 11 a.m.
For children beginning to walk through age 2.

Night Owl Storytime
Thursday, November 3, 17, 7 p.m.
For children 3 to 8 and their familieas.

Preschool Storytime
Thursday, November 10, 17, 11 a.m.
A weekly, small-group program for children age 3 to 5 who are able to participate without a parent or caregiver. Registration is required, and began on Saturday, October 29. This session continues on Thursday on December 1, 8, and 15.

Time for Tales
Monday, November 7, 21, 11 a.m.
For children age 3 to 5.

Toddler Storytime (Evening)
Wednesday, November 9, 23, 7 p.m.
For children age 2 to 3 1/2.

Toddler Storytime (Morning)
Wednesday, November 2, 16, 30, 11 a.m.
For children age 2 to 3 1/2.

Children's Special Programs

Author Bob Barner
Saturday, November 5, 2 p.m.
Author and illustrator Bob Barner will talk about his writing and his artwork. For children 5 and up and their families.

Children's Book Week, 2005
November 14 – 20
Children are invited to pick up an activity sheet at the Children's Information Desk during the week.

Divali Celebration (Night Owl Special)
Thursday, November 3, 7 p.m.
Learn about the Hindu festival of lights. For children 3 and up and their families.

Energy at Play: The Tech Museum at the Library
Saturday, November 19, 2 p.m.
Children, families, and adults are invited to join Tech Museum staff as they put energy to playful use! Fourth grade and up. Sign up starting November 1 by calling (408) 730-7292.

Nutcracker Storytelling
Saturday, November 26, 11 a.m.
Western Ballet will present the story of this traditional holiday event with costumed dancers. For the whole family.

Think Science, Do Science
Wednesday, November 2, 7 p.m.
High School physics students will guide you in performing amazing acts of science. For students 5th grade and older.

Literature Programs

Book Chat
Wednesday, November 9, noon
The second Wednesday of every month, gather to hear a book chat highlighting good reads and "hidden treasures." Feel free to bring a lunch.

Book Discussion Group
Thursday, November 17, 7 p.m.
The third Thursday of every month, enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books selected by the group, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. This month, we'll

discuss **The Interpreter of Maladies: Stories** by Jhumpa Lahiri. The characters in this Pulitzer Prize-winning collection of stories reflect the difficulties of finding a balance between the traditions of India and the ways of a new adopted homeland.

Read-Along Shakespeare
Monday, November 7, 7 p.m.
The first Monday of every month, come together with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, **Henry VI, Part 3** will be read.

Adult Classes

Computer Comfort
Wednesday, November 2, 2 – 4 p.m.
Tuesday, November 15, 3:30 - 5 p.m. (at the Senior Center; must be a member of the Senior Center to participate)

A presentation designed for new or first time computer users, with an opportunity for hands-on practice. Learn about computers in a relaxed, stress-free setting. This part lecture, part hands-on program lasts two hours. Registration starts two weeks prior to class date.

Free Databases @ Your Library
Wednesday, November 9, 2 – 4 p.m.
Some of the library's most valuable and up-to-date resources are online. Learn how to get free access to millions of Web-based magazine and newspaper articles, thousands of e-Books, detailed company directories, in-depth information on health, business, controversial issues, and more. This class will also describe how to access many of these informative resources from your home or office.

Genealogy Databases
Tuesday, November 22, 2 – 3:30 p.m
Learn about the libraries newest databases, Ancestry Library Edition and HeritageQuest Online. The course will cover content, basic searching, and printing techniques.

Adult Special Program

Scrabble Competition
Sunday, November 6, 2 – 7 p.m.
Dan Gertmenian, a local chess aficionado, will lead a Scrabble tournament for

players 14 years old and up. No sign-up is necessary, but please bring your own board. All players must be familiar with the game. Play will be limited to 2 people per board.

Sc[i]³ Programs

Basics of Claim Drafting
Tuesday, November 1, 9:30 a.m., \$300/325 (CLE)
Learn how to read a patent claim/what the claim covers, requirements of a claim, independent and dependent claims, the parts of a claim etc.

Patent Basics
Thursday, November 10, 10:30 a.m., \$125
An introduction to patents for those new to the process.

Patent Cooperation Treaty 1
Tuesday, November 15, 10 a.m., \$275/\$300 (CLE)
An introduction to the PCT. A *USPTO videoconference*.

Patent Cooperation Treaty 2
Thursday, November 17, 10 a.m., \$275/300 (CLE)
A continuation of part 1. A *USPTO videoconference*.

Reexam & Reissue
Tuesday, November 29, 10 a.m., \$225/\$250 (CLE)
The lecture provides an overview of the statutes (35 U.S.C. 251 and 35 U.S.C. 302-305), rules (37 CFR 1.171 – 1.179 and 37 CFR 1.510-1.552) and MPEP requirements governing reissue applications and ex parte reexamination proceedings, respectively. A *USPTO videoconference*.

Searching EAST
Thursday, November 17, 10:30 a.m., \$125
The Examiners Automated Search Tool is the search system used by examiners at the USPTO. EAST has large images, fast image retrieval and flip rate and is perfect for heavy-duty class/subclass searching.

SUNNYVALE LIBRARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
COLOR KEY: <i>Children's Programs</i> <i>Teen Programs</i> Adult Programs <i>SC[i]3 Programs</i>	All programs meet in the Library's Program Room unless otherwise indicated in the description below.			1 <i>Preschool Storytime</i> 11 a.m. Computer Comfort 2 – 4 p.m. <i>Night Owl Storytime</i> 7 p.m.	2	3 Holiday Book Sale 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. <i>Family Storytime</i> 10:30 a.m. Library Customer Appreciation Day
4	5 <i>Time for Tales</i> 11 a.m. Library Board Meeting 7 p.m. Read-Along Shakespeare 7 p.m.	6 <i>Mother Goose for Walkers</i> 11 a.m.	7 Searching the Web 2 - 4 p.m. <i>Toddler Storytime</i> 7 p.m.	8 <i>Espacenet</i> 10:30 a.m. <i>Preschool Storytime</i> 11 a.m. Posadas 7 p.m.	9	10 <i>Cuentos en Español</i> 10:30 a.m. Holiday Mummers Play 1 p.m.
11	12	13 <i>Mother Goose for Pre-walkers</i> 11 a.m. NEW! Extreme Googling 2 – 4 p.m.	14 Book Chat Noon <i>Toddler Story Time</i> 11 a.m.	15 <i>Japanese Patents</i> <i>Preschool Storytime</i> <i>Night Owl Storytime (Tree Trim)</i> Book Discussion Group	16	17 <i>Family Storytime</i> 10:30 a.m.
18 <i>Hanukkah Stories</i> 2 p.m.	19	20	21	22	23 Library Closed	24 Library Closed
25 Library Closed	26 Library Closed	27	28	29	30	31 Library Closed

Library Board Meeting

Monday, December 5, 7 p.m.
The meeting is open to the public and meets in the City Council Chambers at 650 W. Olive Ave.

Children’s Ongoing Programs

Cuentos en Español
Saturday, December 10, 10:30 a.m.
For children 3 and up and their families.

Family Storytime
Saturday, December 3, 17, 10:30 a.m.
For children of all ages and their families.

Mother Goose for Pre-walkers
Tuesday, December 13, 11 a.m.
For infants birth until walking.

Mother Goose for Walkers
Tuesday, December 6, 11 a.m.
For children beginning to walk through age 2.

Night Owl Storytime
Thursday, December 1, 15, 7 p.m.
For children 3 to 8 and their families.

Preschool Storytime
Thursday, December 1, 8, 15, 11 a.m.
A weekly, small-group program for children age 3 to 5 who are able to participate without a parent or caregiver. Registration is required, and began on Saturday, October 29. This session continues the one begun on Thursday, November 10 and 17.

Time for Tales
Monday, December 5, 11 a.m.
For children age 3 to 5.

Toddler Storytime (Evening)
Wednesday, December 7, 7 p.m.
For children age 2 to 3 1/2.

Toddler Storytime (Morning)
Wednesday, December 14, 11 a.m.
For children age 2 to 3 1/2.

Children’s Special Programs

Posadas
Thursday, December 8, 7 p.m.
At the Columbia Neighborhood Center gymnasium. Families are invited to participate in this traditional Latino celebration commemorating Mary and Joseph’s search for a place for the infant Jesus’s birth. Refreshments will be provided.

Hanukkah Stories
Sunday, December 18, 2 p.m.
Librarian and author Diane Rauchwerger will read her new book, Dinosaur on Hanukkah and other Hanukkah tales. Books will be available for signing. For the whole family.

Holiday Mummers Play
Saturday, December 10, 1 p.m.
Actors will present the humorous version of St. George and the Dragon. For the whole family.

Tree Trim (Night Owl Special)
Thursday, December 15, 7 p.m.
Children age 3 and up and their families are invited to make ornaments to decorate the library’s Christmas tree.

Literature Programs

Book Chat
Wednesday, December 14, noon
The second Wednesday of every month, gather to hear a book chat highlighting good reads and “hidden treasures.” Feel free to bring a lunch.

Book Discussion Group
Thursday, December 15, 7 p.m.
The third Thursday of every month, enjoy the fellowship of readers as you share impressions of books selected by the group, discovering new viewpoints and deepening your reading experience. This month, we'll discuss **Truth and Beauty: a Friendship** by Ann Patchetti. This honest memoir portrays Patchett’s decades-long relationship with critically acclaimed and recently deceased author, Lucy Grealy.

Read-Along Shakespeare
Monday, December 5, 7 p.m.
The first Monday of every month, come together with other fans of Shakespeare to read his works and gain new appreciation of these timeless masterpieces. This month, **Richard III** will be read.

Adult Classes

Adult classes in the library are a great way to get a free introduction to the library and its resources, including how to use computers and the Internet, fast becoming one of life’s necessities! Each class is one session, and meets in the Library Program Room unless otherwise noted. No registration required except for Computer Comfort class.

Computer Comfort
Thursday, December 1, 2 – 4 p.m.
A presentation designed for new or first time computer users, with an opportunity for hands-on practice. Learn about computers in a relaxed, stress-free setting. This part lecture, part hands-on program lasts two hours. Registration starts two weeks prior to class date.

Extreme Googling *NEW*
Tuesday, December 13, 2 – 4 p.m.
Learn how to get the MOST out of Google and improve searching efficiency. You will learn why word order is important, how Google “thinks,” and how to limit and combine terms.

Searching the Web
Wednesday, December 7, 2 – 4 p.m.
Find the information you want in minutes. Learn effective search techniques, discuss search engines and indexes, and discover great places to start your search. Meet some specialized search engines, visit the Invisible Web, and explore some special features of your favorite research tools. This class is for those familiar with the Internet.

Sc[i]³ Programs

Espacenet
Thursday, December 8, 10:30 a.m., \$125
Espacenet is the premier free Internet database maintained by the European Patent Office. Course will be held at the NOVA Computer Lab.

Japanese Patents
Thursday, December 15, 10:30 a.m., \$125
This is a workshop for people who would like to learn more about Japanese patent documents and about the resources for searching Japanese patents. Course will be held at the NOVA Computer Lab.

Come to the Library on Saturday, December 3!

We Have two special events planned:

Holiday Book Sale
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Great deals on gift books!

Library Customer Appreciation Day
11 a.m. – 2 p.m.
We want you to know how much we appreciate you! Enjoy free holiday treats!